

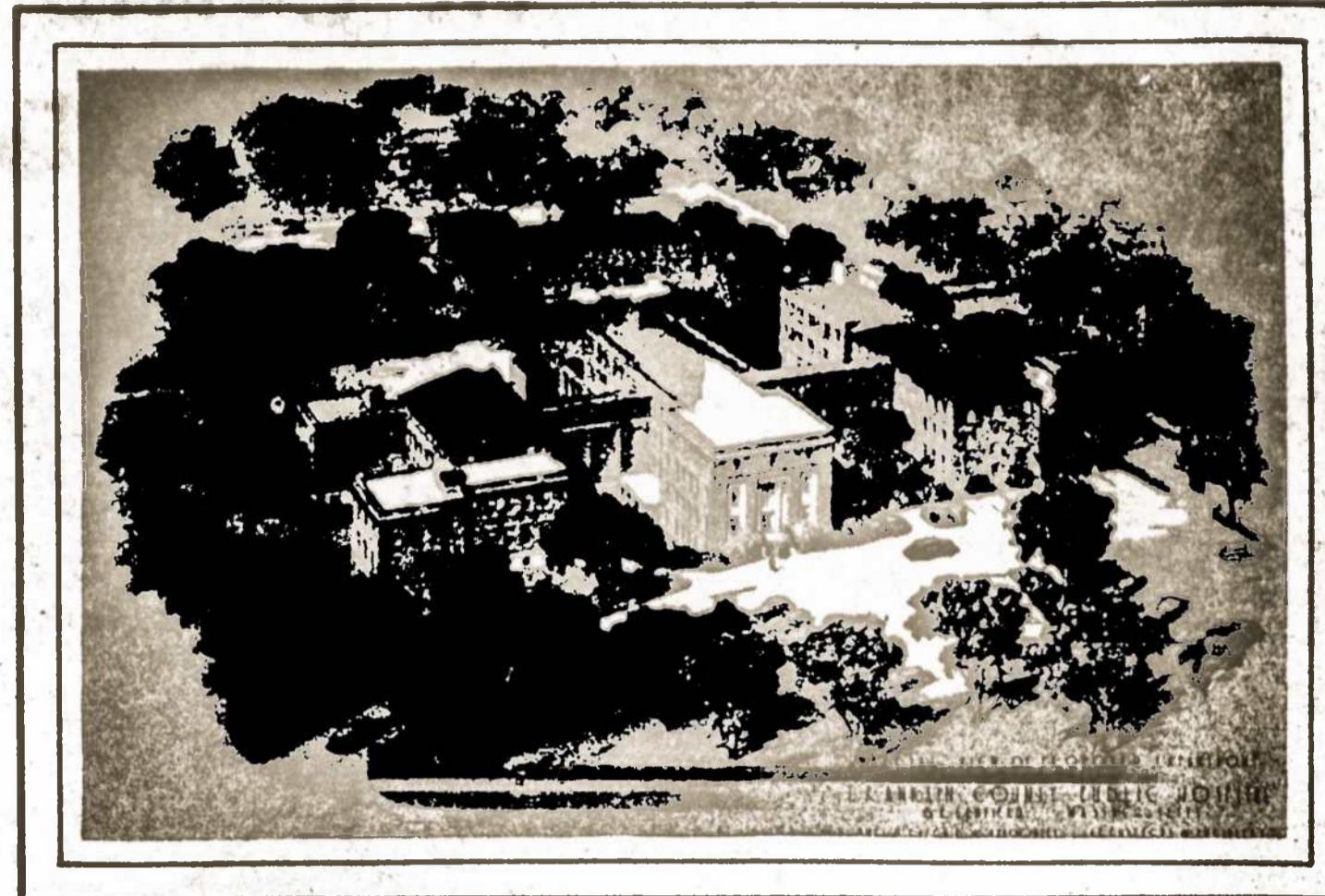
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THREE CENTS



Aerial View of the New Franklin County Hospital

Northfield Responds

For fifty-one years the Franklin County Public Hospital has cared for the sick and injured of the residents of this territory and it has met its obligations and the demands placed upon it. Now, however, the institution finds itself handicapped in its services to a growing population and desires to expand in its facilities and building needs to that of a first-class institution. The place of a hospital in the life of every family is a vital relationship, best understood when unforeseen events and circumstances must bring that relationship into our very existence. The hospital is indeed dedicated to health and the alleviation of suffering.

Franklin County Public Hospital is not under municipal or county control but is conducted by the people who have supported it as a non-profit organization through a board of trustees. To the end that its requirements must be met a campaign for \$750,000 was inaugurated with John W. Haigis of Greenfield as general chairman. A very competent committee was formed and the appeal was broadened to include Greenfield and all of the county towns. Responses have come from individuals, organizations, industrial concerns, and other groups that assurance that the entire amount of money needed will be secured. Every community was given a quota and for Northfield that quota has been secured and more.

With A. Gordon Moody as chairman the roster of those who assisted were Mrs. Fred I. Bolton, Glenn C. Billings, George W. Carr, Mrs. Ruth Cembalisty, Mrs. Winston B. Churchill, James Dresses, Miss Gladys Elithorpe, Mrs. L. P. Goodspeed, Miss Helen Handy, Dr. Richard G. Holton, Irving J. Lawrence, Mrs. Philip Mann, Jr., George McEwan, Mrs. Carroll H. Miller, Mrs. Frank Montague, Mrs. Joseph Morgan, Mrs. Ernest A. Parker, Mrs. Thomas Parker, Harold Parsons, Frank W. Pearsall, Mrs. George Pefferlee, Mrs. Arthur H. Piets, Louis M. Potts, Mrs. Robert Schupp, Miss Hazel Schooley, Mrs. V. Clinton Ware, Mrs. William Williams and Mrs. Allen H. Wright.

The final report of Northfield's participation will be made at the final campaign meeting at Peerfield Academy Friday evening, December 6.

There will be a special Christmas vesper service at the Congregational Church Sunday, December 22, at 5 o'clock. There will be a program of carols and pageantry.

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Faculty Member Dies

Miss Dorothy Wells, 52, head of the home economics department of the Northfield School for Girls since 1930 died suddenly Friday afternoon, November 29, while on her way to one of her classes. She had a half year's leave of absence on account of her health but resumed her teaching in September. Miss Wells was born in Christmas Cove, Maine, and had always maintained her home here. She attended Nasson Institute of Springvale, Maine, the University of Maine, and received a bachelor of science degree from the Teachers' College of Columbia University in 1930. She is survived by a brother, A. S. Wells, of Kingsport, Tenn. A memorial service was held in Sage Chapel Sunday afternoon, December 1. On Monday the body was taken to Christmas Cove for burial in the family plot.

It's Educational

A writer in the Walpole paper recently had visited this section of the state and writes of his impressions, which has come to our attention. It is worth reading and says:

"Every time I drive into the Connecticut Valley I come away marveling at the concentration of educational institutions clustered between the hills of this western part of our state. I would not venture to try to name them all, but some are so famous that any one of them should give enough distinction to the valley to satisfy considerable local vanity. Starting at the northernmost point of the valley as it enters our state there are the two prep schools, Northfield and Mt. Hermon, and coming down a few miles is Deerfield Academy; then Amherst College and Massachusetts State at Amherst, Smith College at Northampton to say nothing of a few prep schools in Northampton; Mt. Holyoke at South Hadley, Williams College at Williamstown, Springfield College at Springfield, and how many fine prep schools and lesser known colleges there, I don't know. There isn't another stretch of less than one hundred miles in this or any other country, I suppose, that rivals, educationally, this amazing river valley of Massachusetts.

"I'd say that, despite the fertile land, and the bountiful crops, whether of tobacco or fruits and vegetables, and all the livestock that region boasts, the main business of the valley is education."

Norman I. Bolton, H.A. son of Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Bolton, is at his home on terminal leave. He entered the service in May, 1945, and after training at Sampson, N. Y., and Bainbridge, Md., served with a medical corps at Portsmouth, Camp Peary and Norfolk.

Recount Held Here

A state-wide recount of the votes for Arthur W. Coolidge for Lieutenant Governor and for Russell A. Wood for Auditor, both Republicans, has been asked for by petition of the Democratic State Committee. In order to protect the interests of these candidates the Republican State Committee has also filed. The recount of the Northfield votes was held by the local Board of Registrars at the Town Hall on Friday evening, December 6, and George McEwan of the town Republican committee had been named as the attorney to represent the candidates. He was assisted by Frank W. Pearsall, also named attorney. The recount was under the direction of Mrs. Josephine S. Haskell, our town clerk. There was no change in our election figures.

Nurse Reports

Miss Natalie Gowen, public health nurse, has made the following report for November. Total number of cases visited, 113; chronic cases, 50; acute cases, 12; pre-natal, 1; infant health supervision, 27; pre-school supervision, 5; school health supervision, 8, and transportation, 4. At the first of three diphtheria clinics 25 children were inoculated.

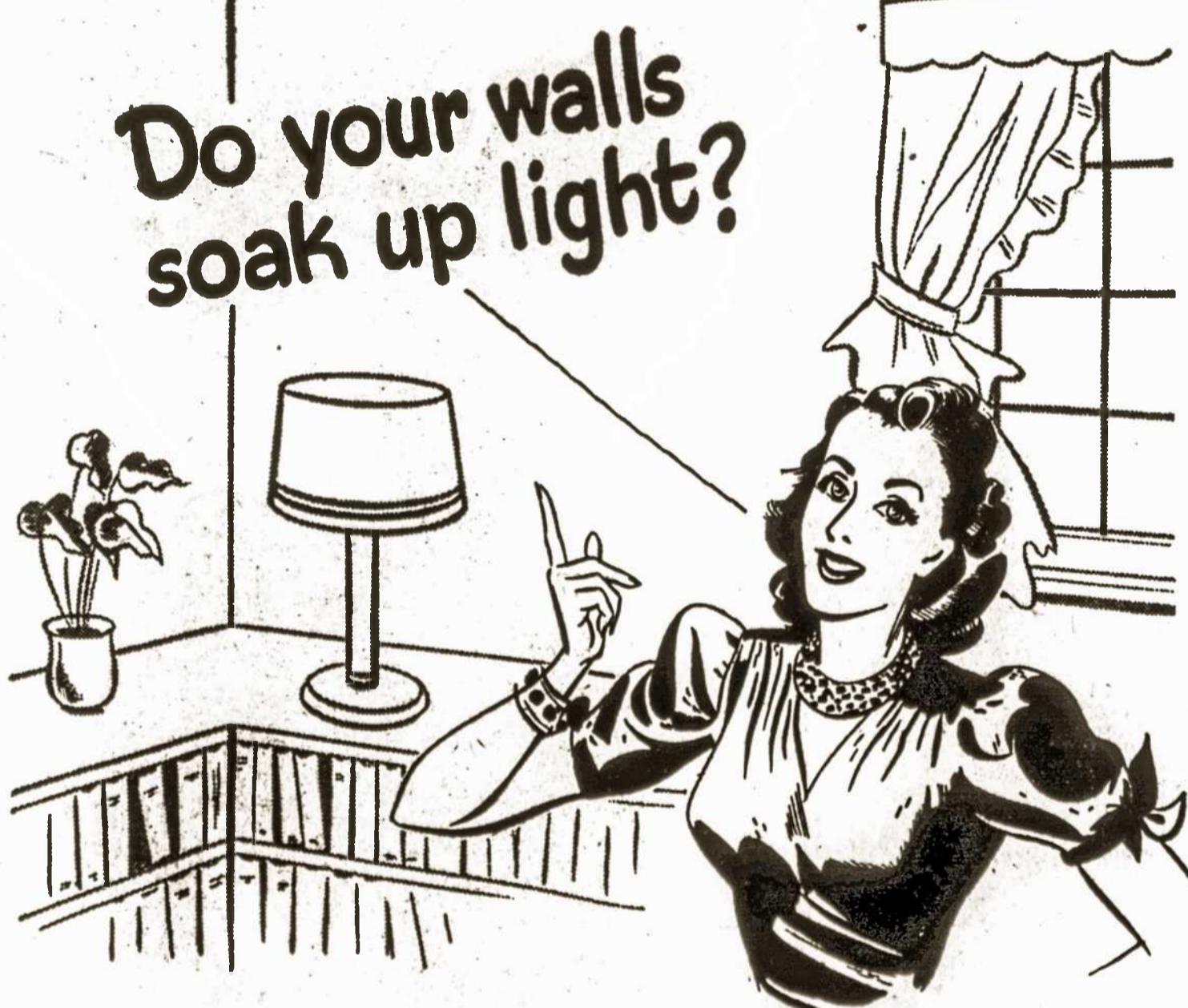
Want Posters Returned

There was a poster contest at the high and Center schools recently arranged by the members of the W. C. T. U. who awarded prizes for the best work. Many of the drawings have been exhibited and they were displayed at the town hall at the time of the recent special meeting. However, these drawings were removed from the walls and mysteriously disappeared. The local selectmen were appealed to and are asking that these drawings be returned to Mrs. Lawrence Lazelle on Glenwood Ave. The drawings are desired for another showing and competition.

Sergt. Ross L. Spencer, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Ross L. Spencer, is at his home on terminal leave. He entered the service in June, 1945, was trained at Camp Croft and in December was sent to Iceland in the finance office of the headquarters company.

Mrs. Ruth Cembalisty is teaching Red Cross home nursing to a class of girls at the high school twice a week as a part of the curriculum.

The Outing Club of Brattleboro announces that its ski tournament will probably be held on Saturday, February 15.



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James-Smead

A wedding of interest to many friends in Northfield took place in All Souls Church in Brattleboro Sunday afternoon, November 23, when Miss Madeline I. Smead, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Francis H. Smead, of Vernon, was married to Winthrop H. James, son of Mrs. Alice L. James, of Brattleboro, a former resident with her family in Northfield. Rev. Kenneth Hutchinson officiated.

The decorations in the church were of palms, evergreens and lighted candles. A reception followed the ceremony in the parish house.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore a gown of white satin damask with train. She had a full length veil of net with a tiara and festoon of orange blossoms. She carried a bouquet of white roses and stephanotis. The wedding attendants were Mrs. Ruth Peterson, matron of honor, Miss Pauline Bush and Mrs. Wilma Smith, all of Brattleboro, bridesmaids, and Miss Evelyn Smead, of Vernon, sister of the bride, junior bridesmaid. Ray Peterson was best man.

The couple left on a trip to New York State and Canada and after January 1 will be at home at 58 South Main Street, Brattleboro.

Mrs. James was graduated from Brattleboro High School in 1944. Mr. James was graduated in the class of 1942 at Brattleboro High School and served 37 months with the Eleventh Air Force.

Town Topics

A son, David Craig, was born to Dr. and Mrs. Charles D. Miller, of San Francisco December 3. The child is great-grandson to Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Lazelle and grandson to Mr. and Mrs. Russell Durgin. Mrs. Durgin is with her daughter.

Members of the Red Cross disaster committees of the various towns in the county were called into special session Friday evening, December 6, at Greenfield, to meet officials from Washington and consider plans. The local disaster committee consists of William F. Hoehn, A. Gordon Moody and George W. Carr.

Administration has been granted on the estate of William Weissler, Jr., of Wharton, N. J., who owned a cottage on Rustic Ridge, to Willard O. Seibert, of Greenfield. The property has already been sold to Benjamin Thompson.

Miss Gloria Savcheff, pianist, a student at Boston University, recently participated in a Beethoven concert at its College of Music.

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Krejmas-Schryba

In St. Patrick's Church of this town on Thanksgiving Day morning Miss Stella Schryba, daughter of Mrs. Mary Schryba, of South Main Street, became the bride of Joseph John Krejmas, son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Krejmas, of West Gill. Rev. H. J. McCormick performed the double-ring ceremony.

The bride was given away by her eldest brother, Peter, of Greenfield. The church was decorated with pink and white carnations on the main altar. Traditional wedding music was played by Mrs. Helen Greene, church organist, and Mrs. Flora Abbey sang.

The bride wore a white satin brocade gown with sweetheart neckline, a finger-tip veil edged with lace, and a crown of pearlized orange blossoms. She carried white pompons.

Her maid of honor was Miss Olga Zalusky, of South Vernon. Bridesmaids were Mrs. Kenneth Bolton, sister of the bride, Miss Julia Ladzinski, of Northfield, and Miss Stephie Turkevitz, of Sunderland. Frank Krejmas, brother of the bridegroom, was best man.

A reception was given in St. Stanislaus Hall in Turners Falls after which the couple left on an unannounced wedding trip.

Miss Mary Bolton, R. N., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred I. Bolton, of West Northfield, is now located at Brattleboro Memorial Hospital as night nurse.

The Ladies' Sewing Society of the Congregational Church profited by nearly \$100 with their chicken pie dinner and sale of fancy articles last week.

H. Kenneth Ruhl, of this town, has awarded his varsity "H" at Mount Hermon School this fall. He gained the letter in soccer. He is a member of the senior class.

Members of the board of assessors have begun their work of appraisals on taxable property for the coming year. They began their visits this week.

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Dr. Taylor Passes

Dr. George Lyman Taylor, 85, who had made his home with Mrs. Taylor at Bronson Inn since last fall died there Wednesday, December 4, after a brief illness. He was born in Dracut September, 1861, and married Ellen Louise Johannot in Northfield 56 years ago who now survives. He is also survived by a sister, two cousins and a niece. Dr. Taylor has been a physician for several life insurance companies and upon retirement went to Warwick to reside. Funeral services were held in Orange with Rev. Dr. George A. Bronson officiating the following Saturday.

The real estate boom is crumbling and from all sections of the country comes word of shrinking values. Even in Northfield where prices climbed an estate held at \$14,500 is now offered for \$10,000.

County school superintendents were in session in Greenfield Wednesday, December 4, to consider many school problems. Supt. Robert N. Taylor attended as well as Harry Erickson, of Mount Hermon, who had a part in the program. Mr. Erickson is chairman of the county school committee association.

Town Topics

The three banks of Brattleboro have distributed checks in the amount of \$102,000 to members of its Christmas clubs. Some of these checks have reached Northfield depositors.

A report from Williamston to the "Press" states that Sheep Hill and Dutch Hill there which provide facilities for skiers have been enlarged and improved. Sheep Hill has a 1,100-foot rope tow and Dutch Hill has an Alpine lift with steel towers. Ski enthusiasts are invited to visit.

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Town Topics

Mrs. David Tomkins, Mrs. Harry Crawford and Mrs. Mabel Bonney of this town have joined the winter colony in Florida. Mrs. Bonney is at Crescent City and Mrs. Tomkins and Mrs. Crawford at Orlando.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Frank C. Stratton of the Farms at the Franklin County Hospital on Thursday, November 21. Granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Hilllock, of North Leverett, and Mrs. Jennie Stratton of this town.

That splendid and popular farm journal, the New England Homestead, is being offered for three years for \$1 as a Christmas special. Better send a dollar to New England Homestead, Myrick Building, Springfield, Mass., and receive it regularly.

Miss Virginia Bolton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred I. Bolton, of West Northfield, underwent an operation for appendicitis at the Brattleboro Hospital Saturday, the 23rd. She is doing nicely.

The Ladies' Benevolent Society of the Farms district voted to give \$25 to the Franklin County Hospital campaign fund.

A son, Peter Bainbridge, was born to Mr. and Mrs. John T. Holden, of Springvale, Maine, at the Richardson House in Boston on Sunday, November 17, grandson of Mr. and Mrs. William Holden, of Holyoke, and of Mrs. William P. Stanley, of this town.

Mrs. Arthur Martindale, of South Vernon, has gone to spend the winter with her daughter, Mrs. Albert Spencer, in Bellows Falls, Vt.

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Mr. and Mrs. J. Lee Bolton will visit their son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Bolton, at Silver Springs, Md., near Washington, during the Christmas season.

The staff of the Unitarian Church School, with the minister, Rev. Hazel R. Greider, recently met at the home of Mrs. Carroll H. Miller to make plans for the Christmas entertainment at the church Friday, December 20.

Mrs. Allen H. Wright has returned from a week's stay with her daughters, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence White, in Boston, and Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Leavitt at Medford.

Mr. and Mrs. George Pefferlee are enjoying a motor trip through the South and will spend some time in Florida.

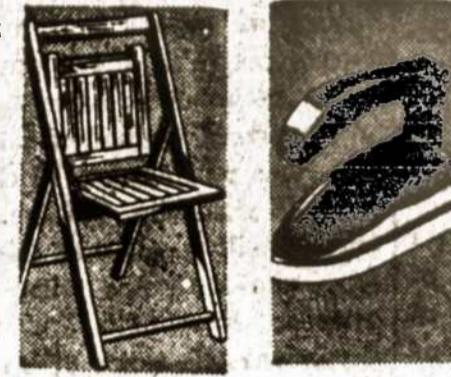
Miss Vera Vaughan will be at the home of Mrs. Eleanor Dunklee in South Vernon for the winter months.

Miss Alma Dunklee, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Warren B. Dunklee, of South Vernon, who is a freshman at Westbrook Junior College, is on the dean's list for the first marking period.

There was a soil test meeting at the town hall the evening of November 29 given by Ralph Donaldson of the State Extension Service and a large number of our agriculturists attended.



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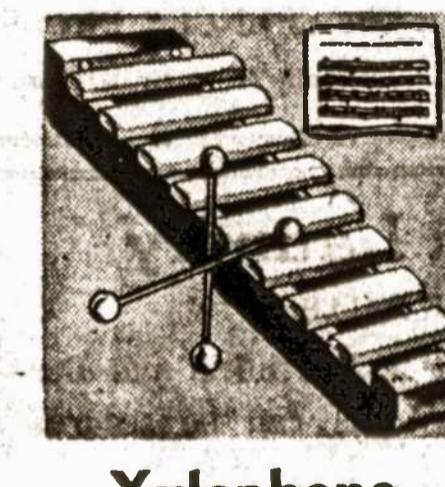
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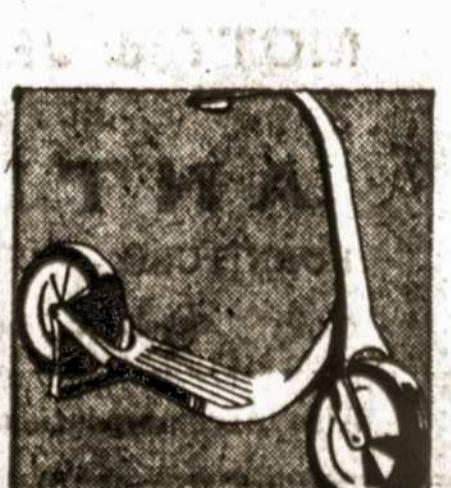
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